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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. SKGF Cover Letter;
2. Status Inquiry Letter;
3. Ninth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
4. List of cited references on Form PTO-1449 (1 sheet);
5. A copy of each reference cited on Form PTO-1449 (2 documents: **AB7**
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6. One (1) return postcard.

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